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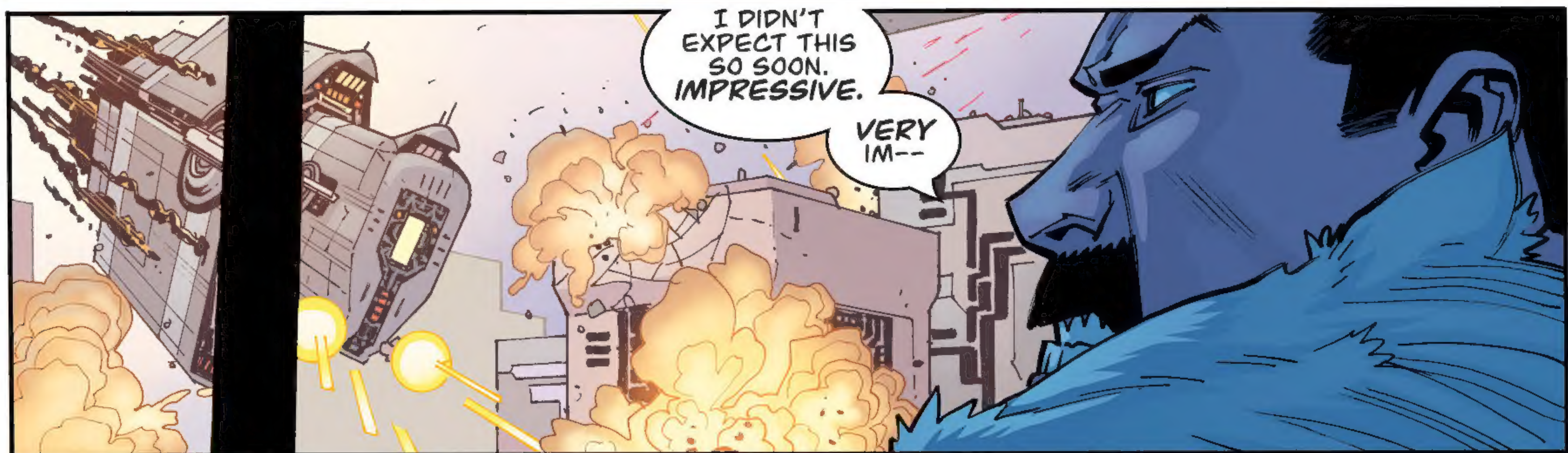
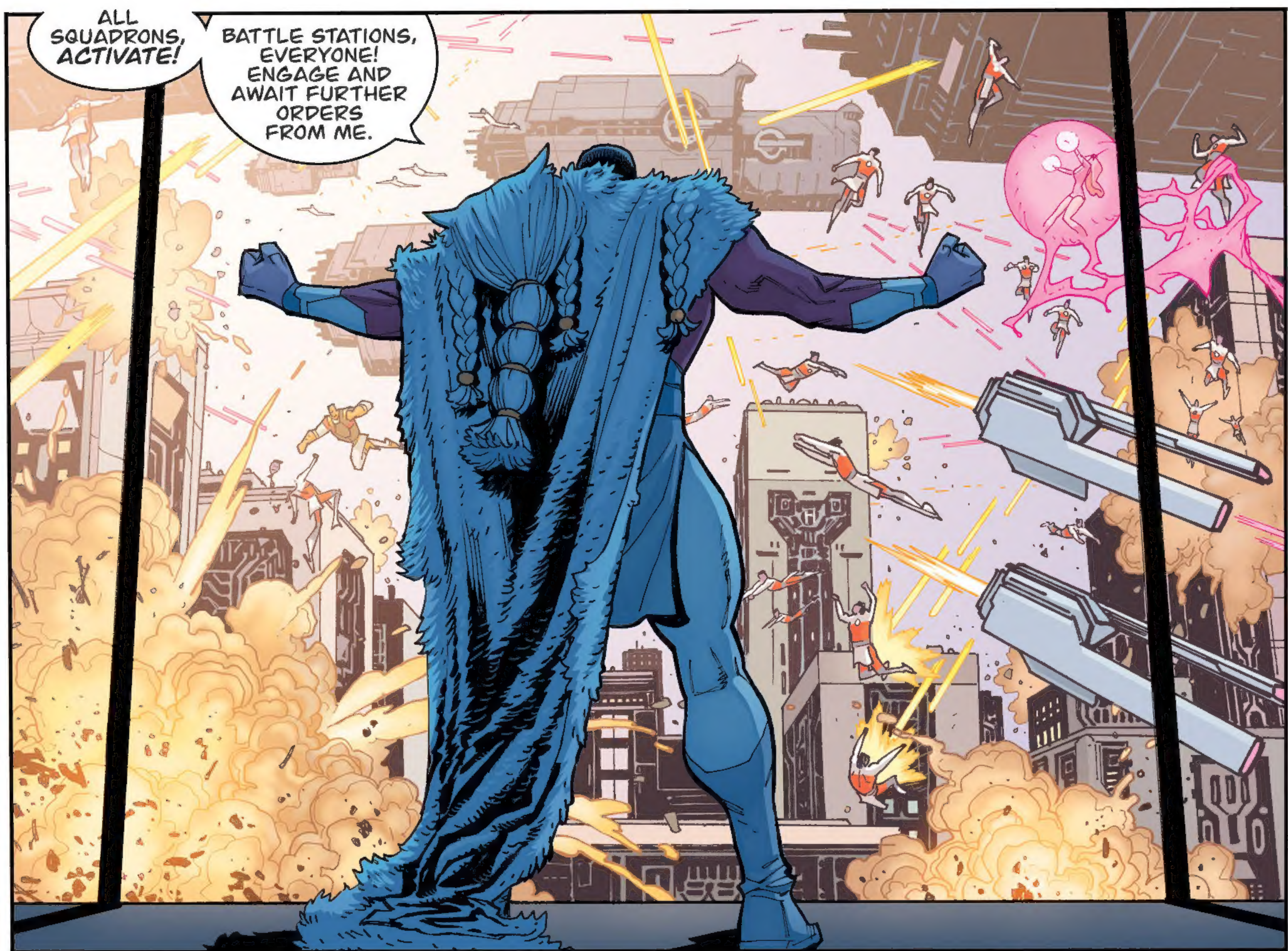
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LOOKS LIKE WE'VE GOT HIS ATTENTION.

THAT WAS QUICK.

MARK GRAYSON... OF COURSE YOU'RE ALIVE...



VILTRUMITES OF THE TRUE EMPIRE!

LET'S END THIS QUICKLY!

ALL FORCES CONVERGE ON ME!









THERE'S...

THERE'S TOO MANY.  
WE HAD NO CLUE--  
WE COULDN'T HAVE  
ANTICIPATED THERE  
WOULD BE  
SO MANY...

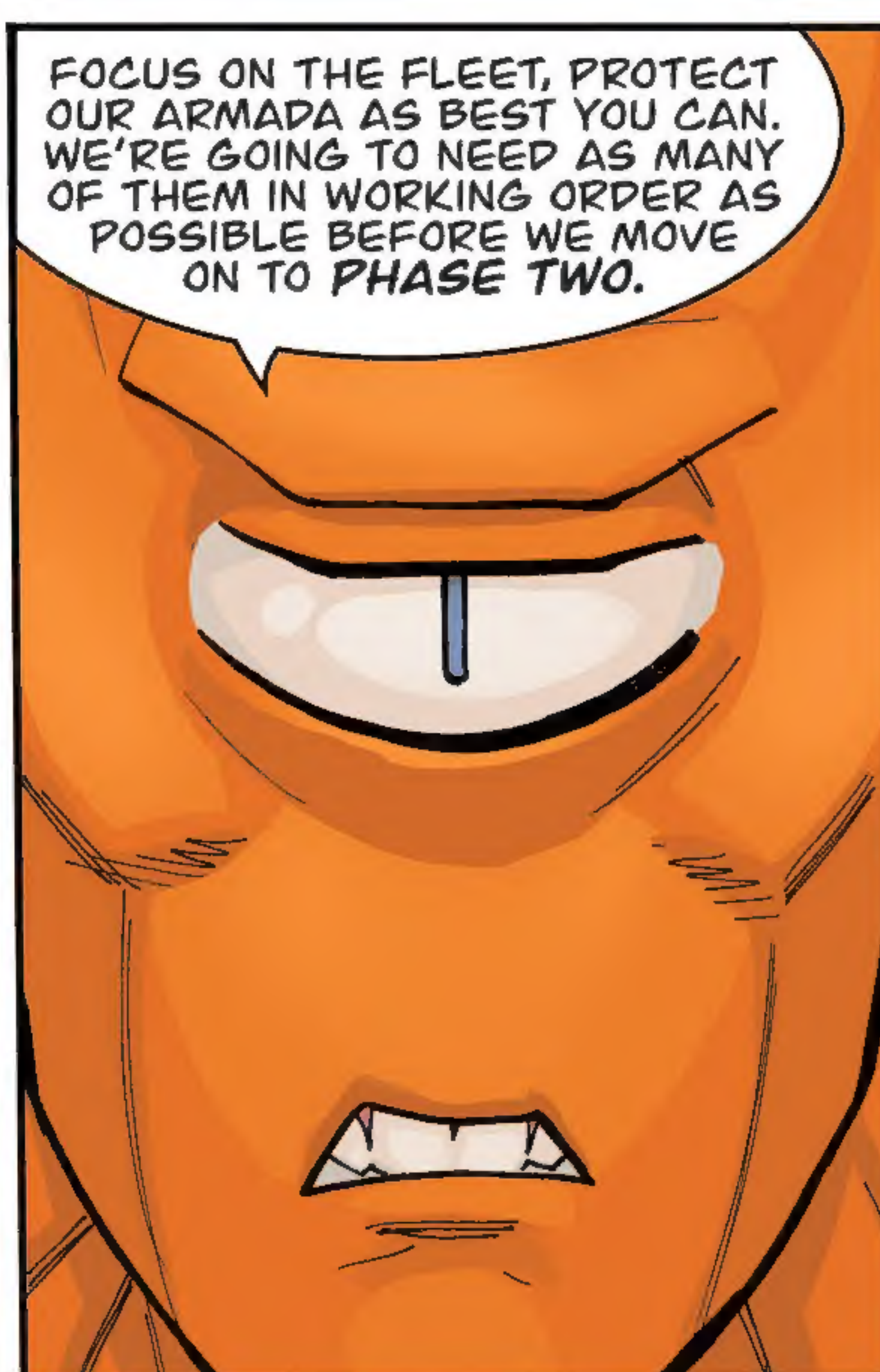


IT DOESN'T  
MATTER!

IF ANYTHING, IT  
HELPS. THE PLAN  
STILL WORKS.  
STICK TO THE  
PLAN.



STAND READY!  
BE PREPARED,  
OR WE WON'T  
SURVIVE LONG  
ENOUGH TO  
SEE YOUR  
PLAN  
THROUGH.



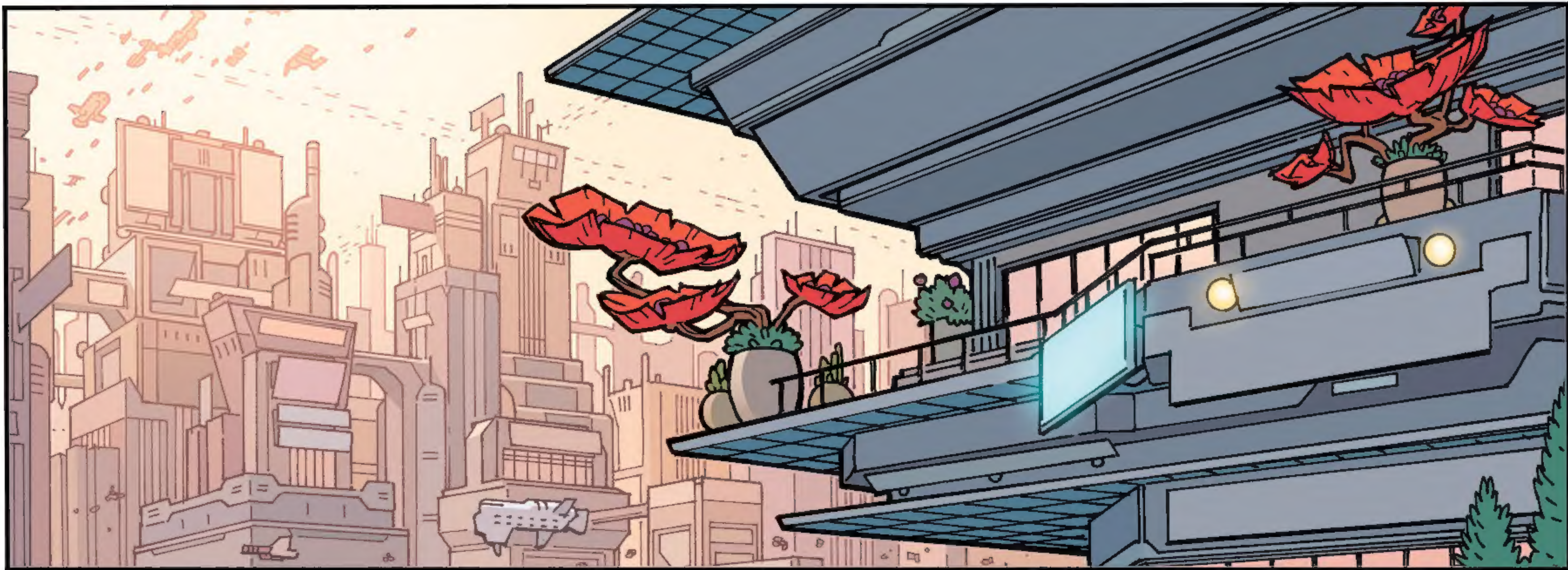
FOCUS ON THE FLEET, PROTECT  
OUR ARMADA AS BEST YOU CAN.  
WE'RE GOING TO NEED AS MANY  
OF THEM IN WORKING ORDER AS  
POSSIBLE BEFORE WE MOVE  
ON TO PHASE TWO.



PROTECT THE  
SHIPS, FIGHT THE  
VILTRUMITES,  
DON'T DIE.  
GOT IT.

EMPHASIS  
ON "DON'T  
DIE."





THE SCHOOL SYSTEM HERE IS A NIGHTMARE. LUCKILY EVE WAS ABLE TO PUT IN A GOOD WORD AT TERRA'S SCHOOL. THE BOYS HAVE A VERY GOOD CHANCE OF BEING ENROLLED.

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU HAVE TO DO IT SO EARLY. THEY'RE NOT EVEN SPEAKING YET.

GOOD THAT YOU'RE SO ON TOP OF THESE THINGS, THOUGH. YOU'RE A GREAT MOTHER, HALUMA. THOSE BOYS ARE LUCKY TO HAVE YOU.

YOU'RE SWEET. THANK YOU, DEBBIE.

HAS THERE BEEN ANY WORD FROM THE FRONT? ANY NEWS AT ALL?

NOTHING YET. THEY'RE WORRIED THEIR TRANSMISSIONS COULD BE TRACED, I'M TOLD.

IT'S EARLY, STILL. I THINK--

**THWOOOM!!**

WHAT WAS--

THE CHILDREN!





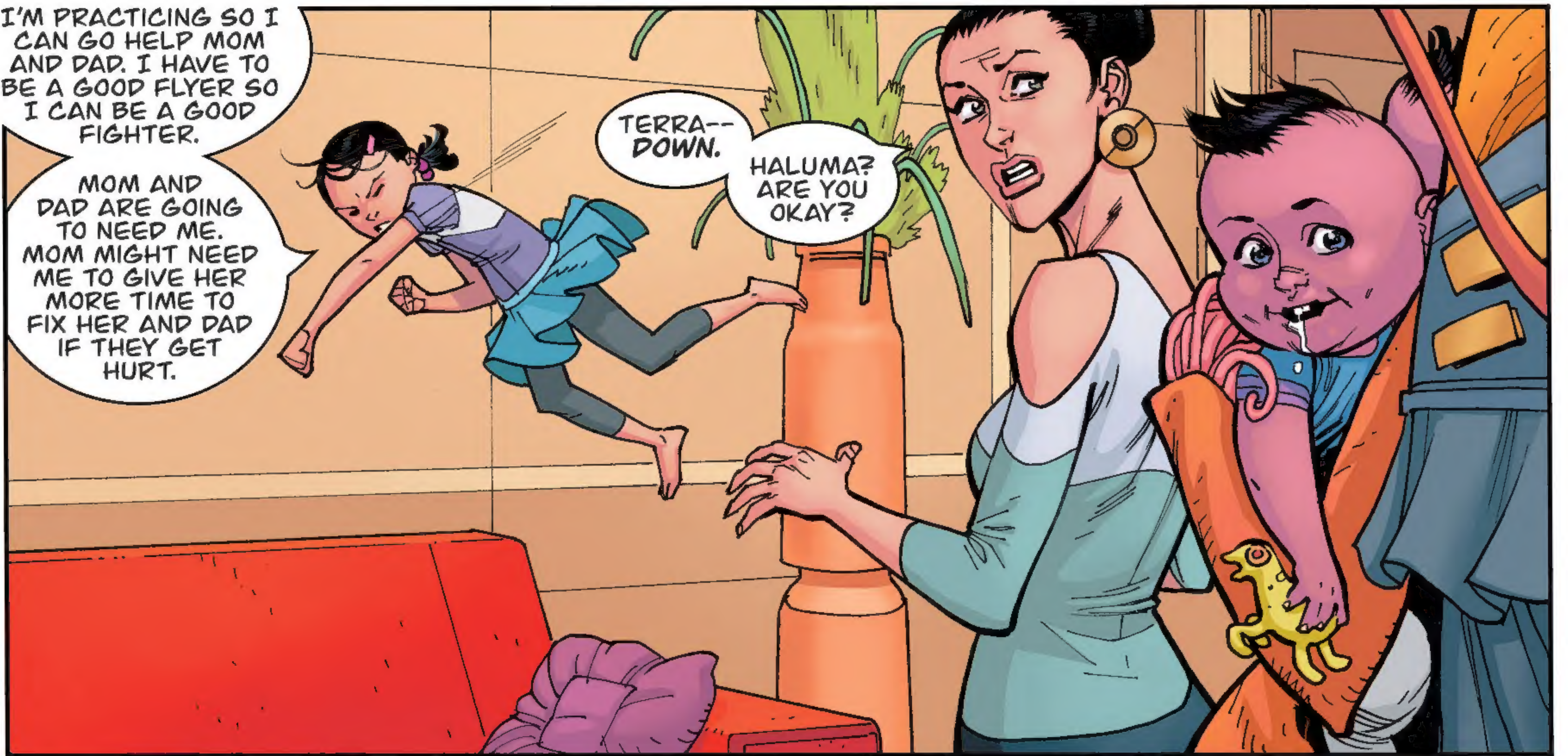


I'M PRACTICING SO I CAN GO HELP MOM AND DAD. I HAVE TO BE A GOOD FLYER SO I CAN BE A GOOD FIGHTER.

MOM AND DAD ARE GOING TO NEED ME. MOM MIGHT NEED ME TO GIVE HER MORE TIME TO FIX HER AND DAD IF THEY GET HURT.

TERRA--  
DOWN.

HALUMA?  
ARE YOU  
OKAY?



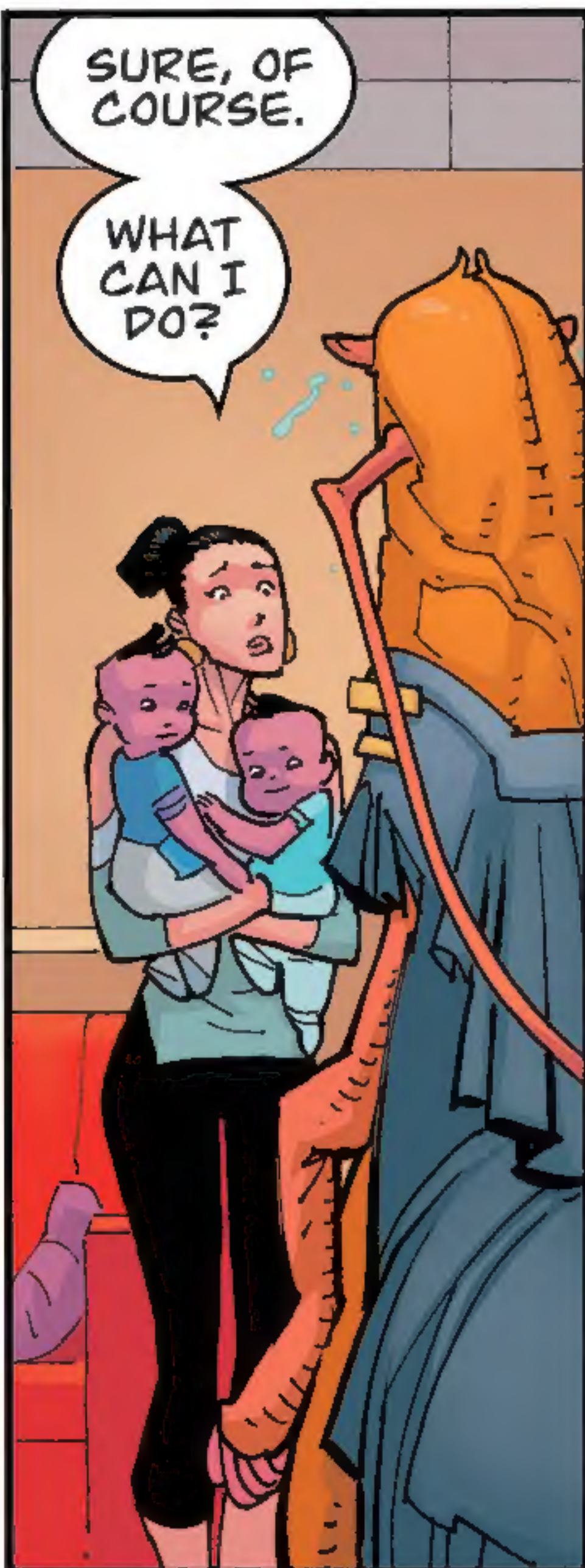
NO--  
PLEASE--

TAKE  
THEM.



SURE, OF  
COURSE.

WHAT  
CAN I  
DO?



OLIVER MADE ME  
FEEL... **SAFE**. THRAGG  
IS OUT THERE,  
VILTRUMITES ARE  
EVERYWHERE... AND  
HE'S... **GONE**.

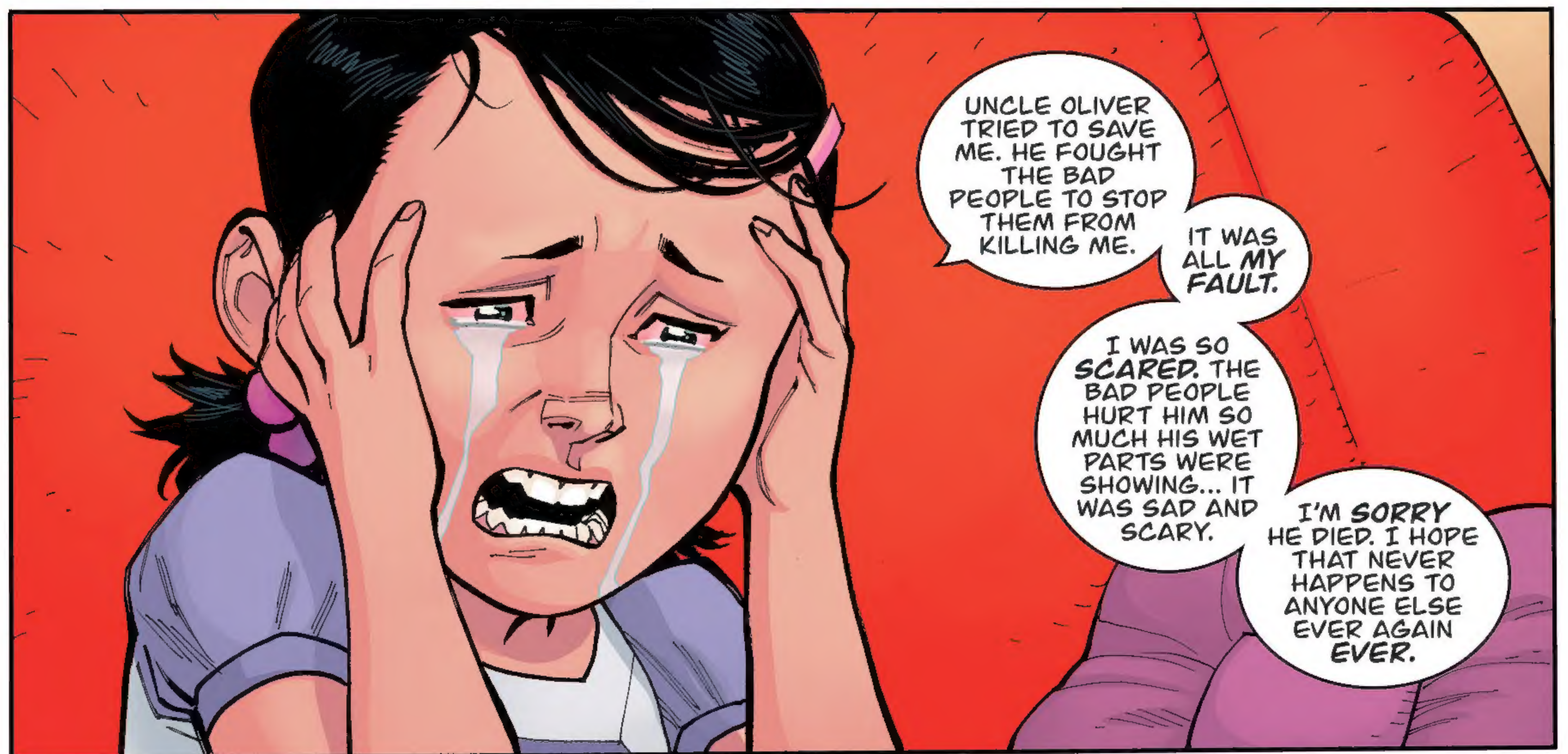
I HEARD  
THAT NOISE AND I  
THOUGHT... I THOUGHT  
I'D LOST THEM, TOO.  
I JUST CAN'T--  
I CAN'T--



...



TERRA,  
DEAR.  
DON'T CRY.  
YOU DIDN'T  
MEAN TO...



UNCLE OLIVER  
TRIED TO SAVE  
ME. HE FOUGHT  
THE BAD  
PEOPLE TO STOP  
THEM FROM  
KILLING ME.

IT WAS  
ALL MY  
FAULT.

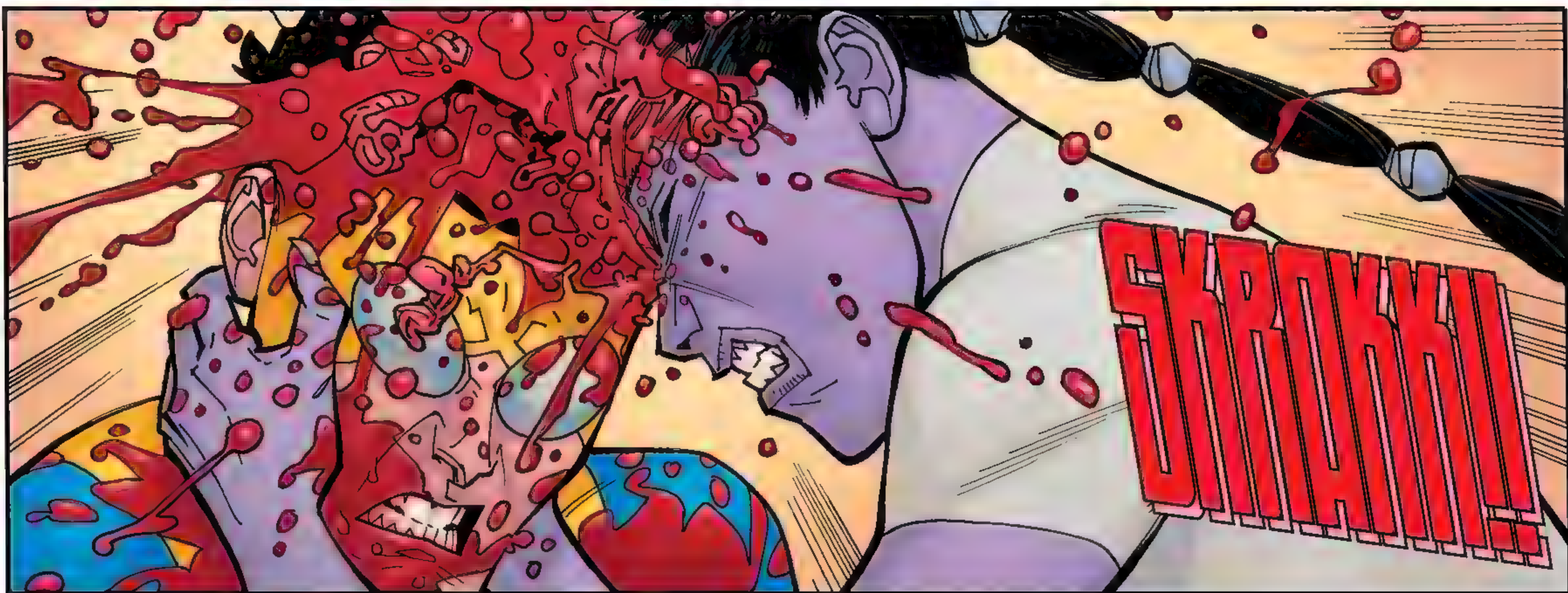
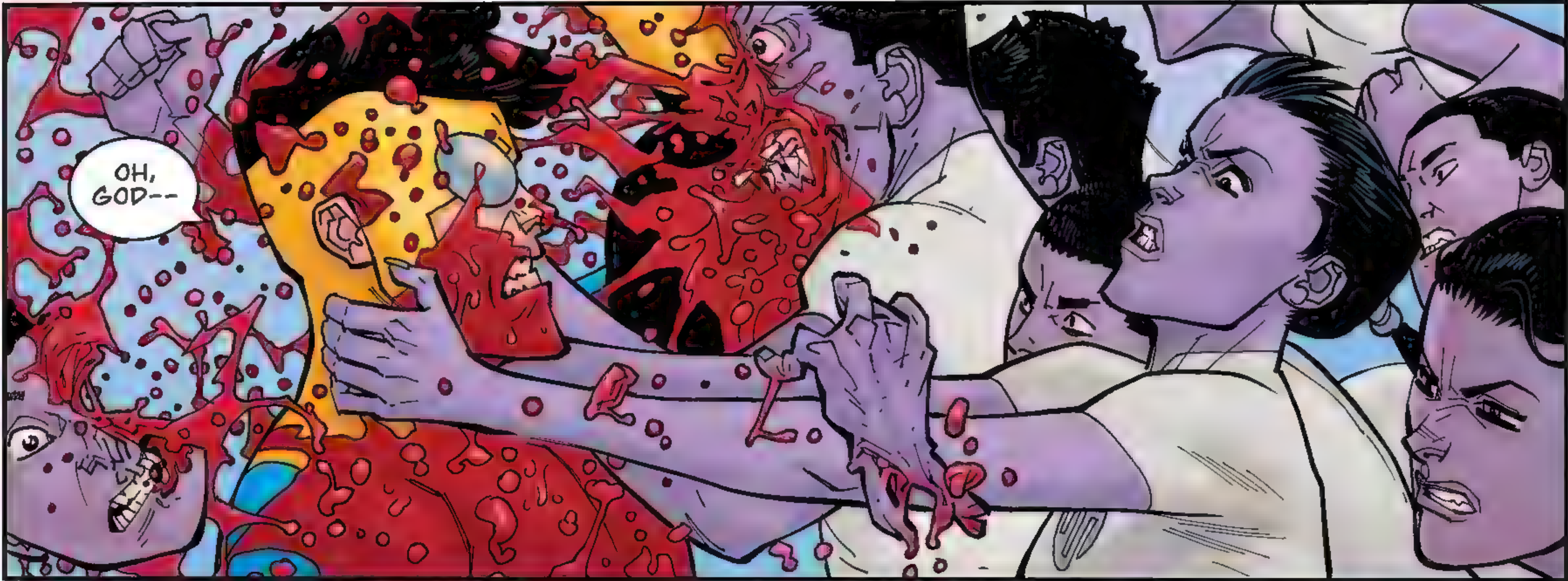
I WAS SO  
SCARED. THE  
BAD PEOPLE  
HURT HIM SO  
MUCH HIS WET  
PARTS WERE  
SHOWING... IT  
WAS SAD AND  
SCARY.

I'M **SORRY**  
HE DIED. I HOPE  
THAT NEVER  
HAPPENS TO  
ANYONE ELSE  
EVER AGAIN  
EVER.

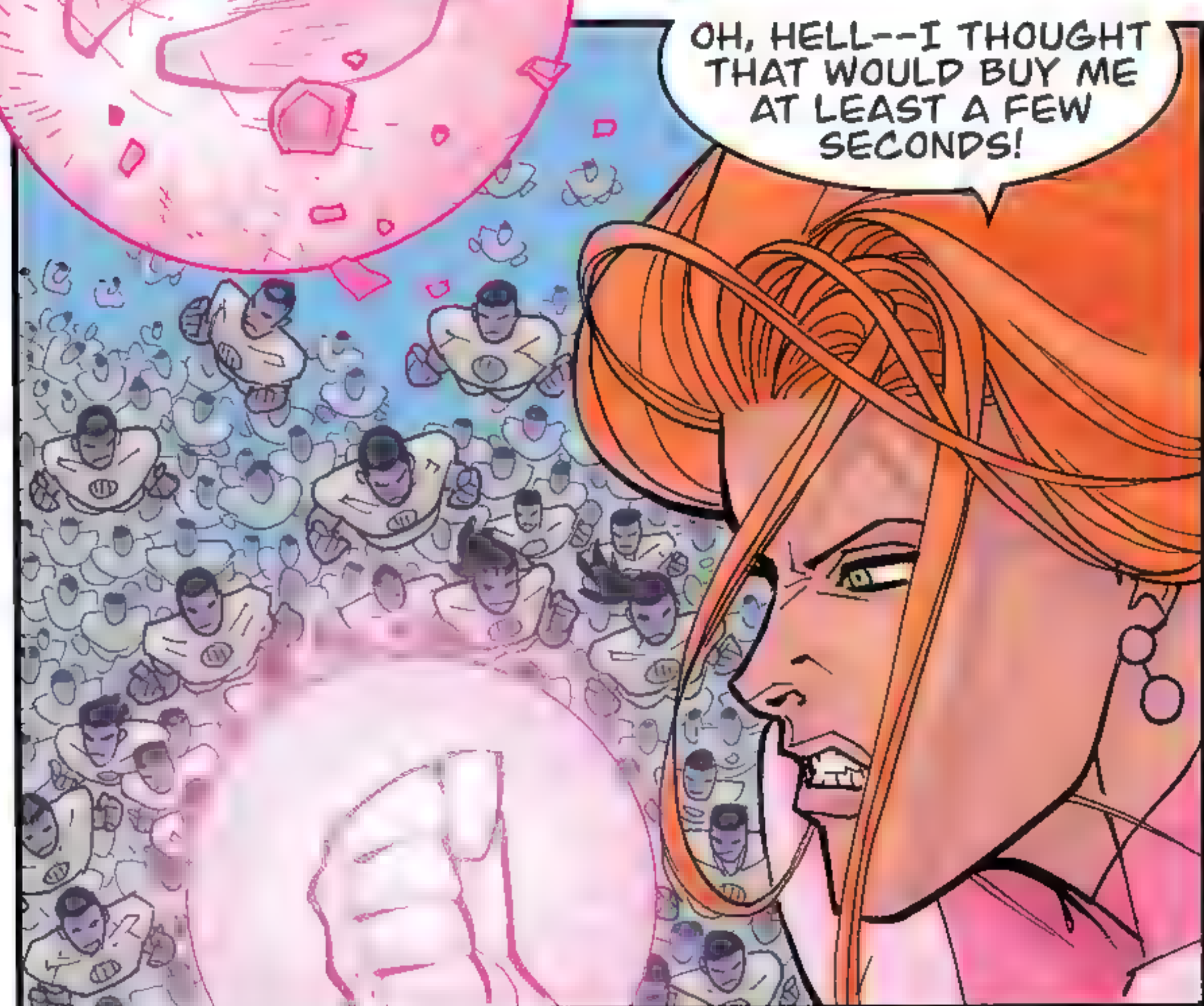
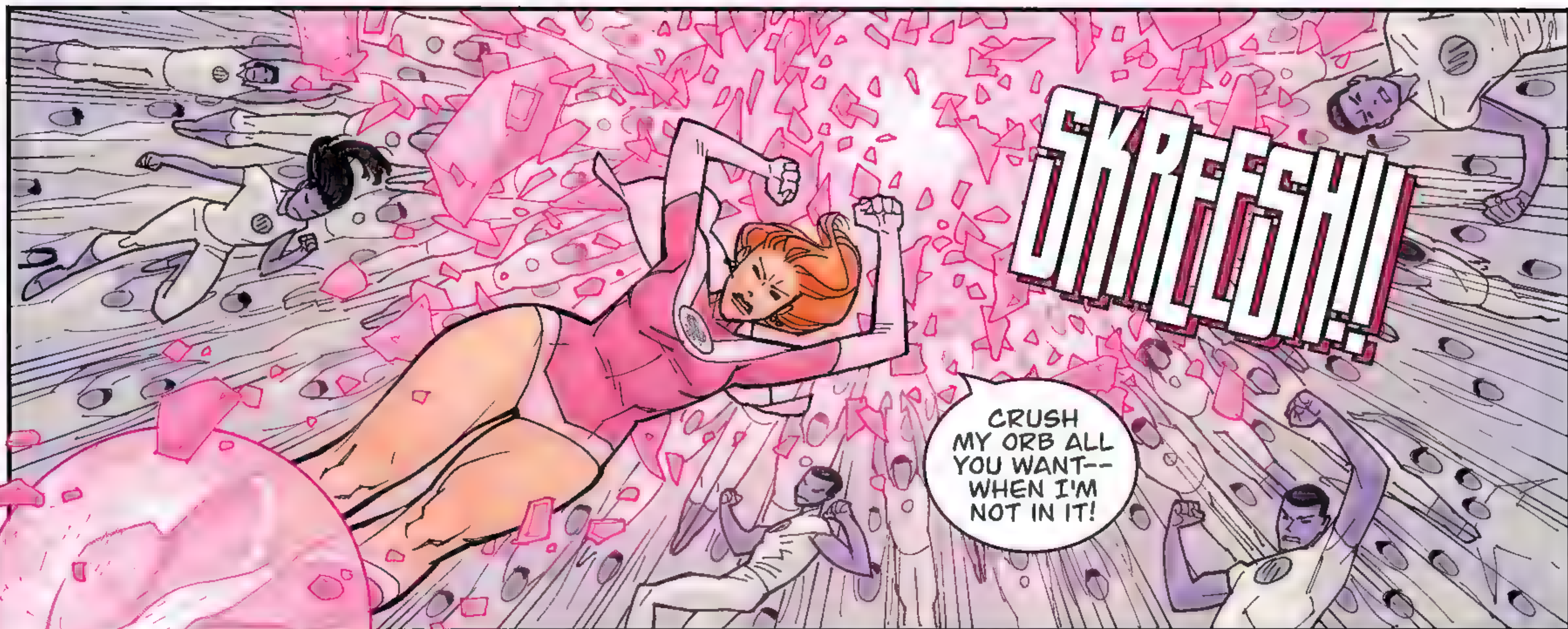
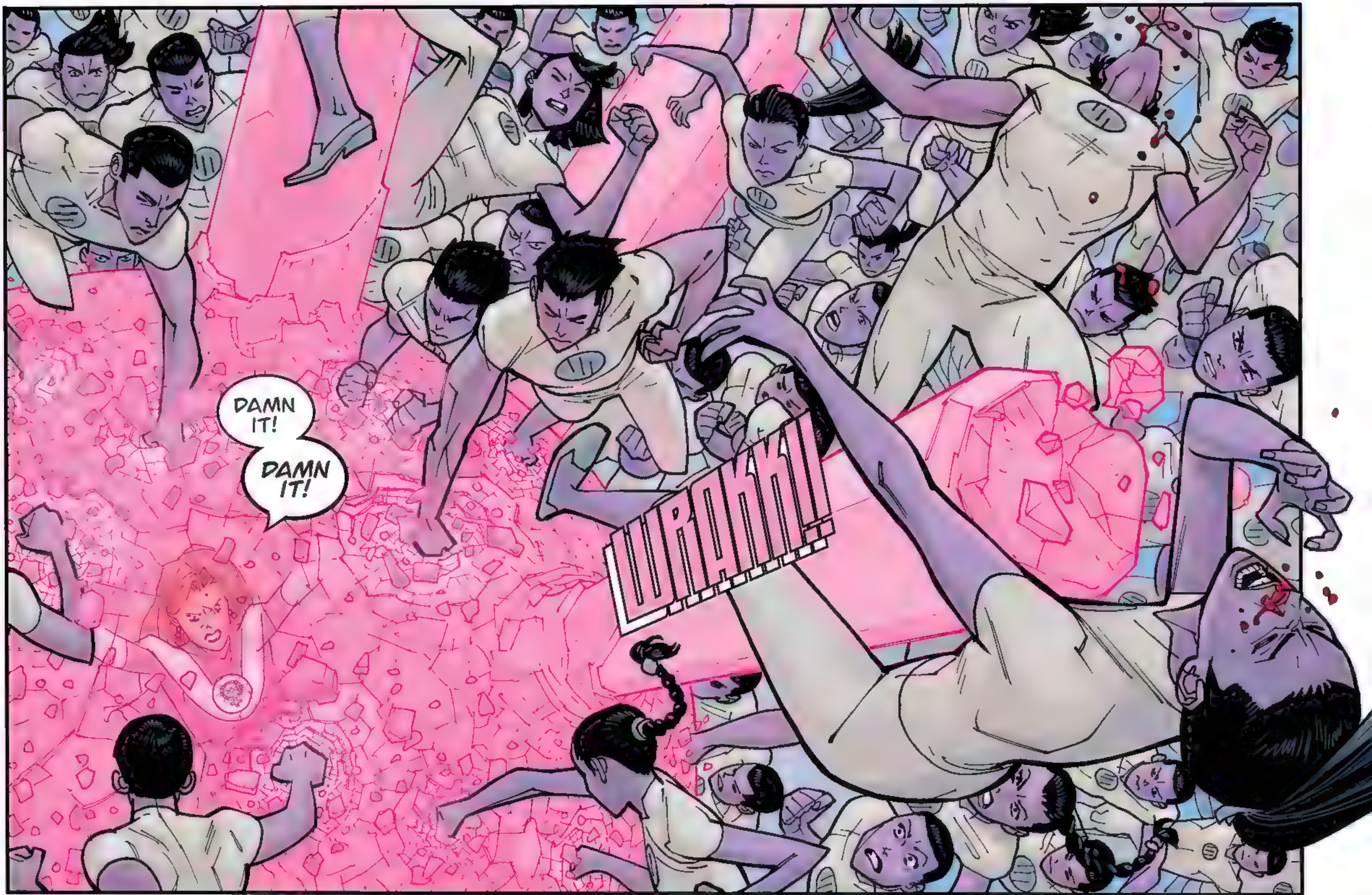




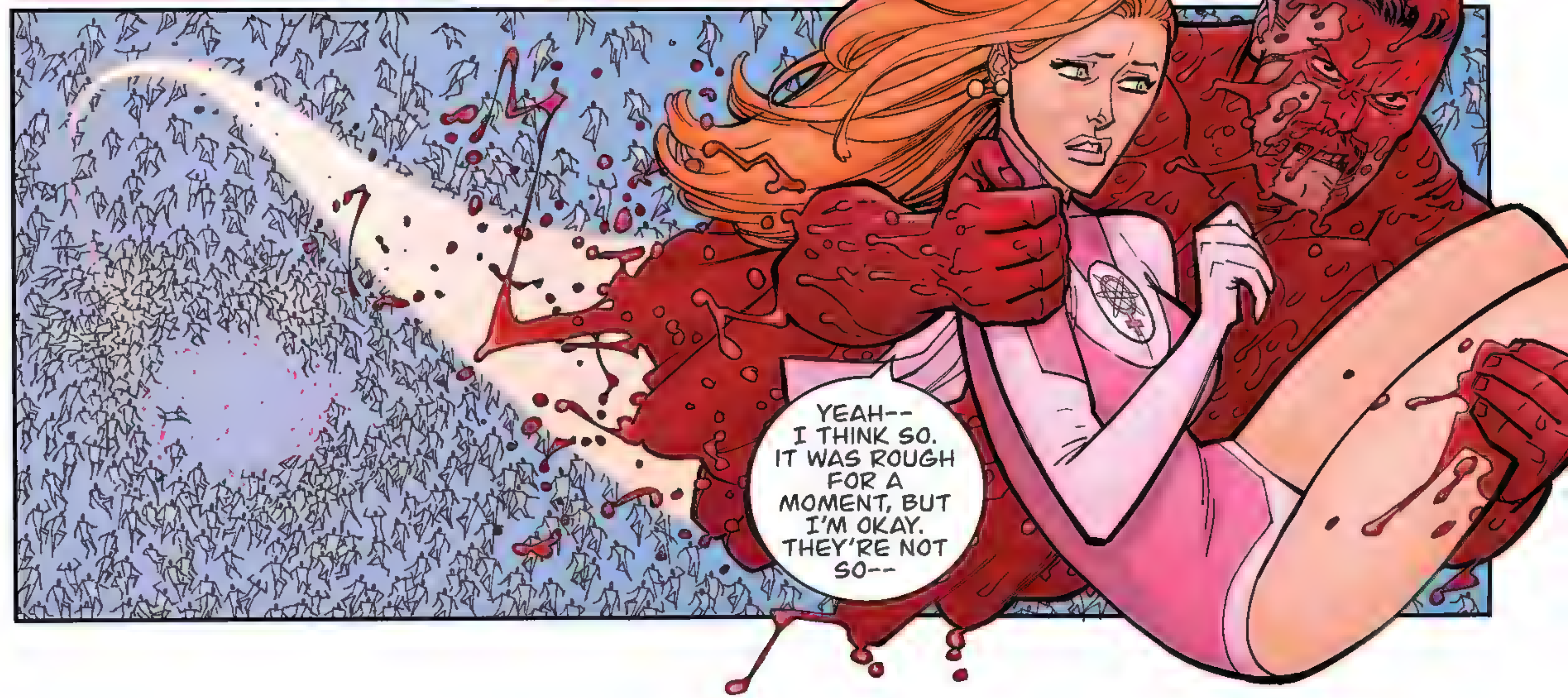
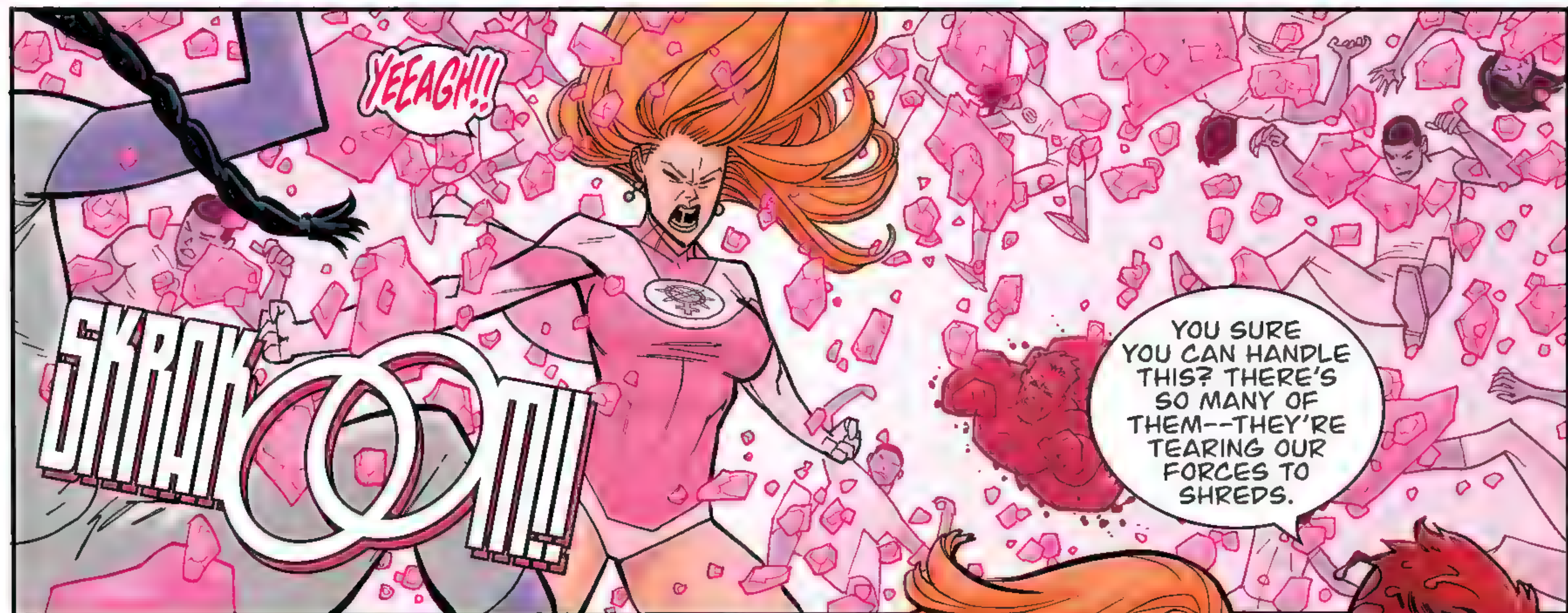
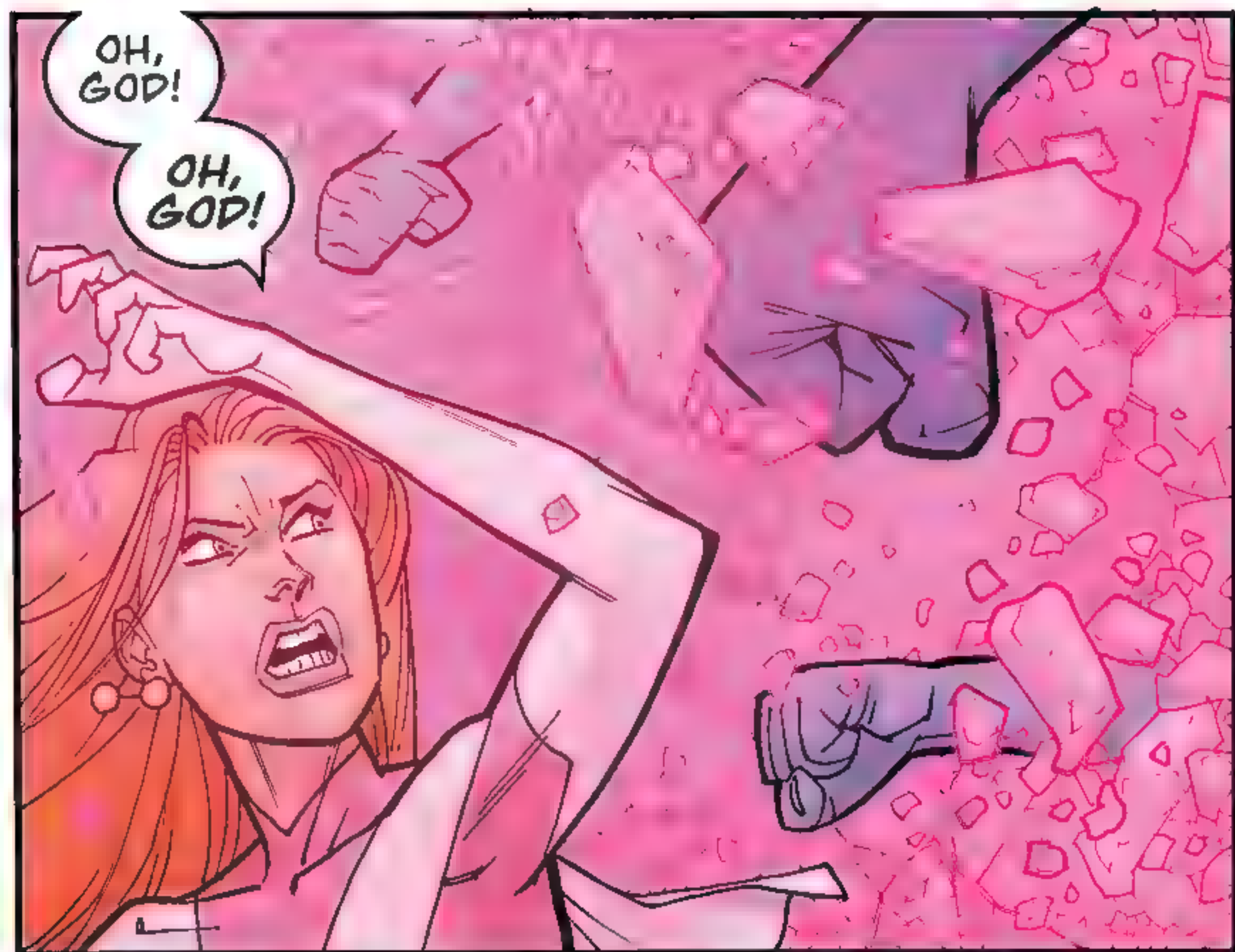
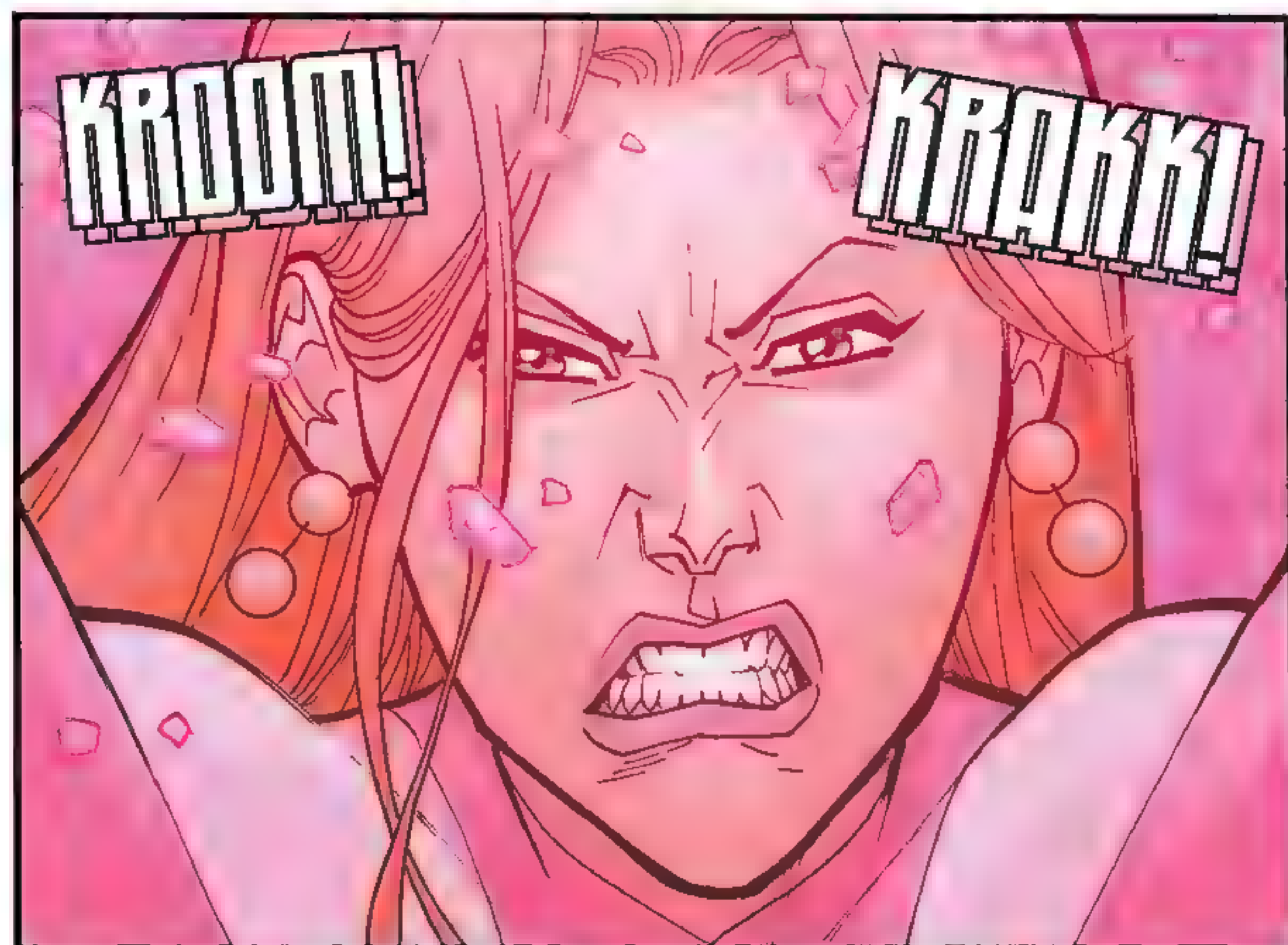
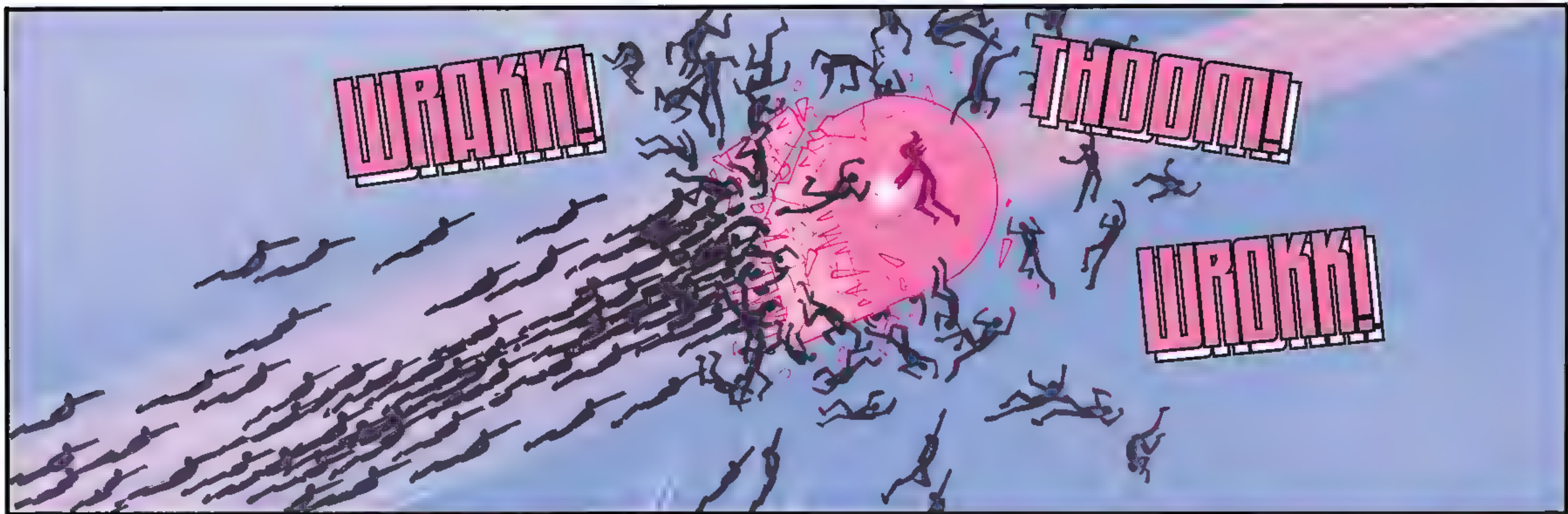




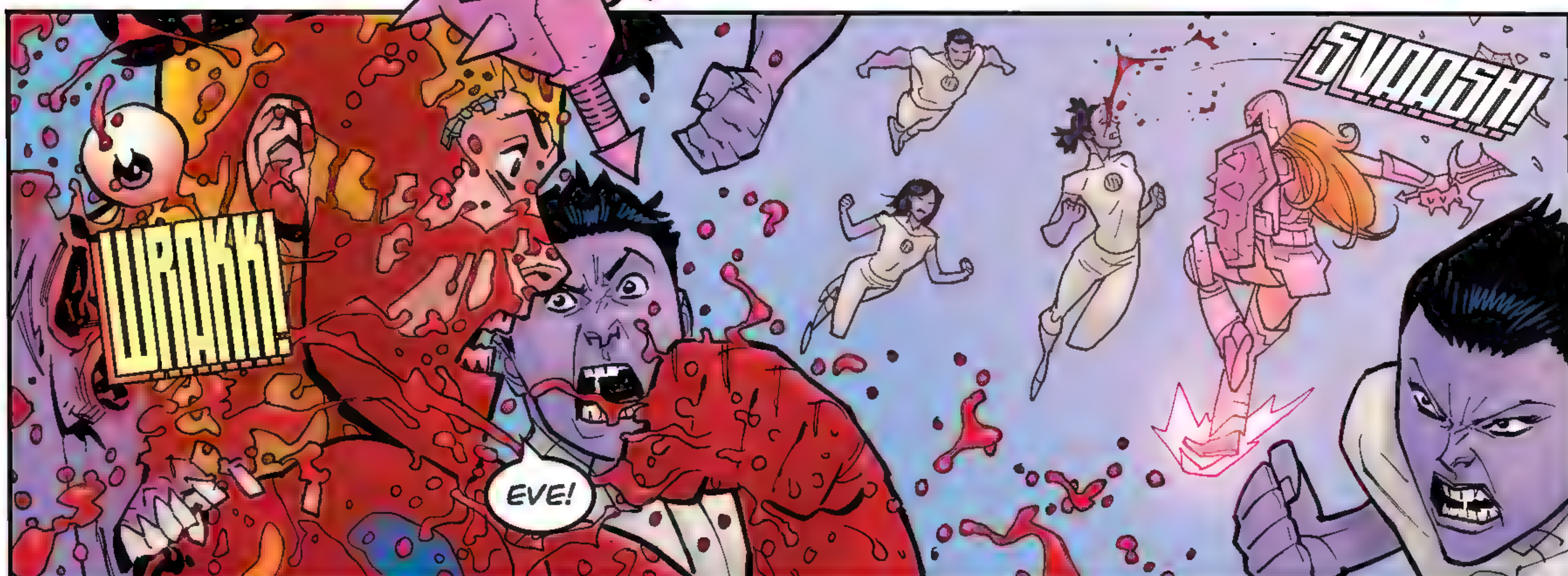
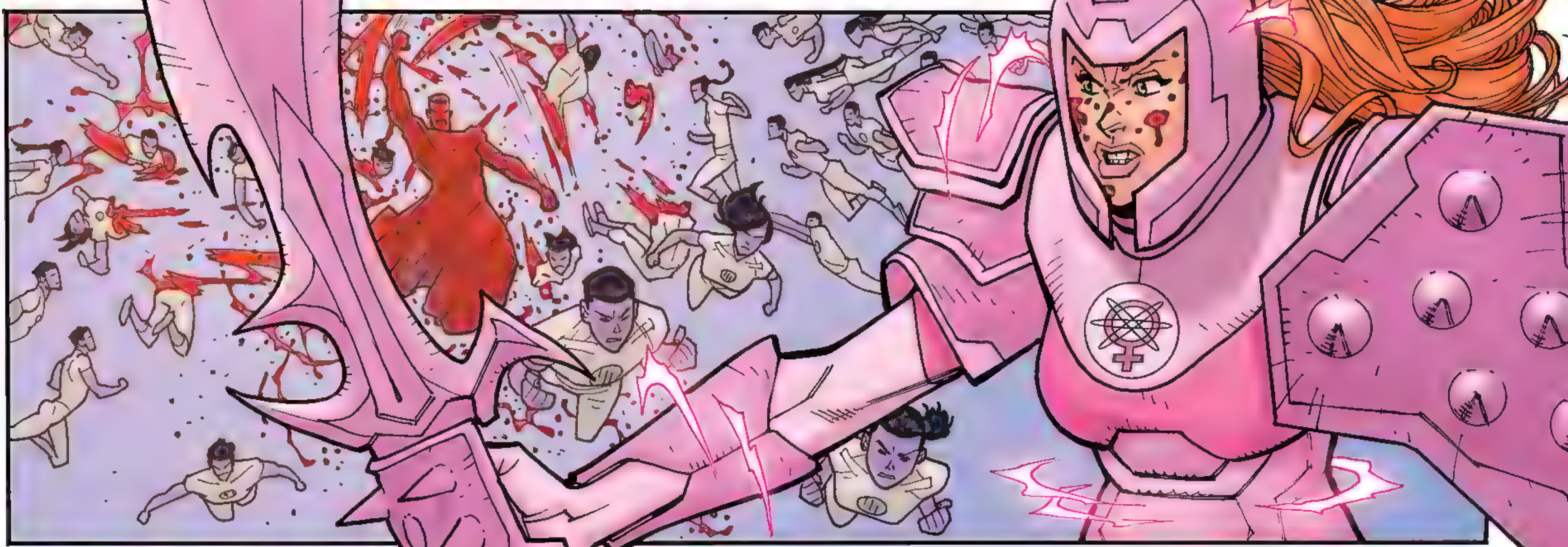
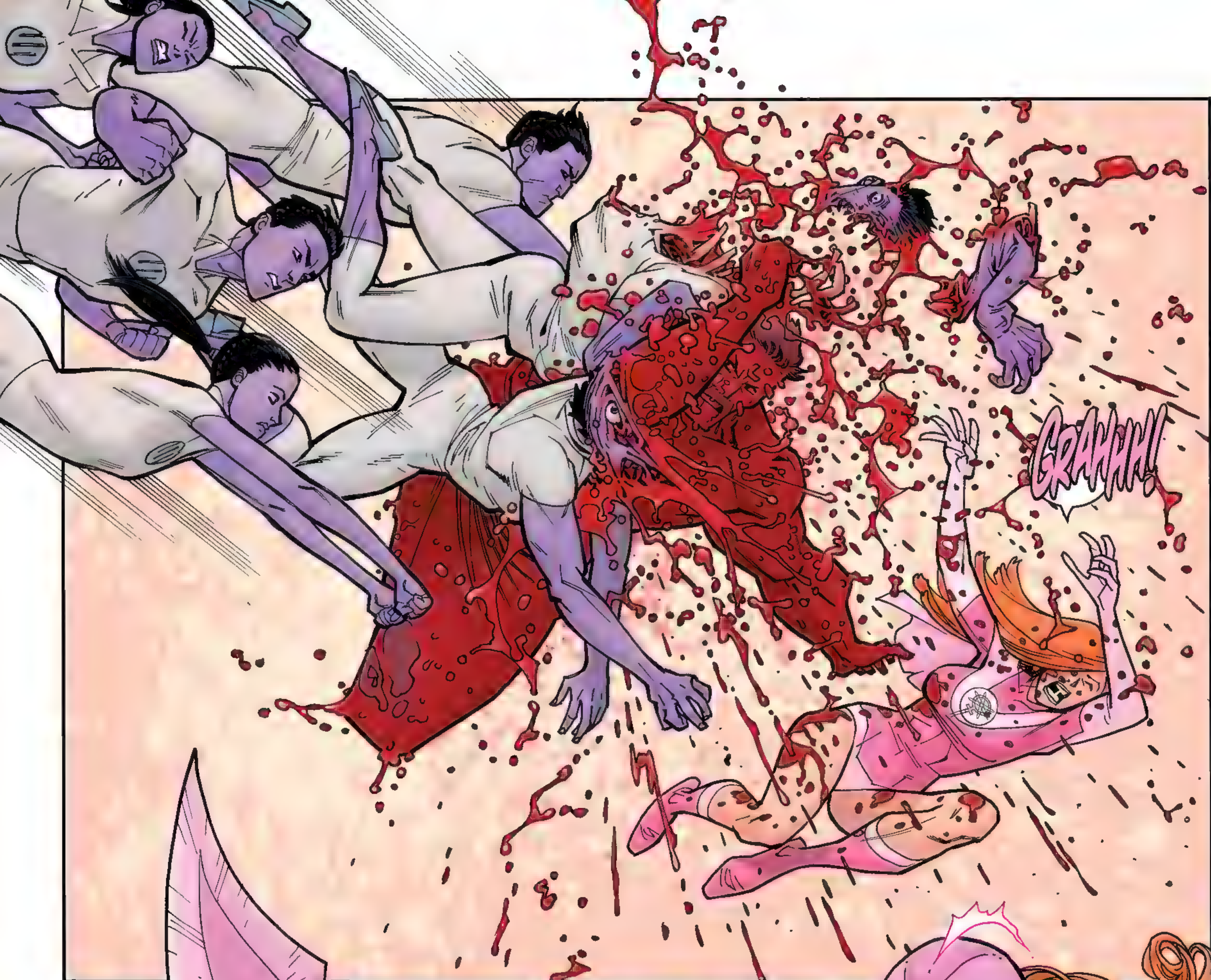




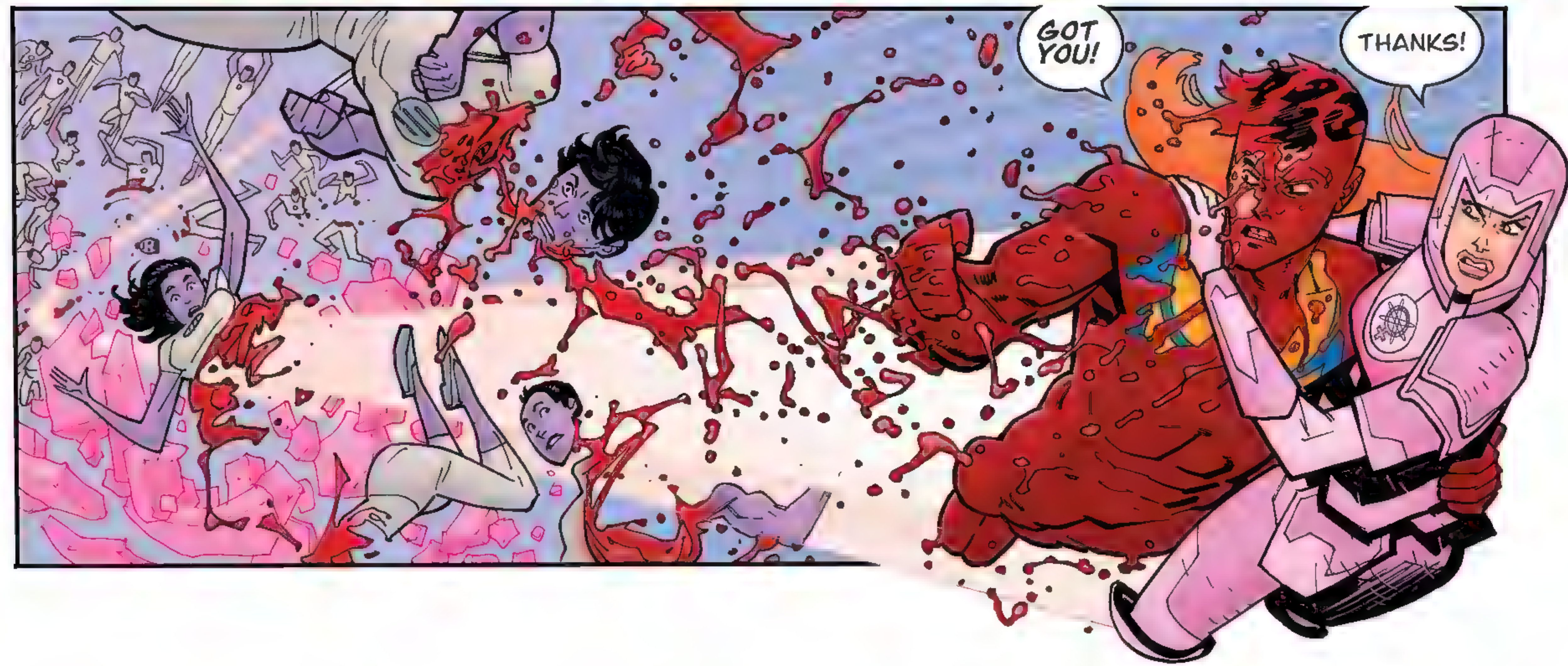
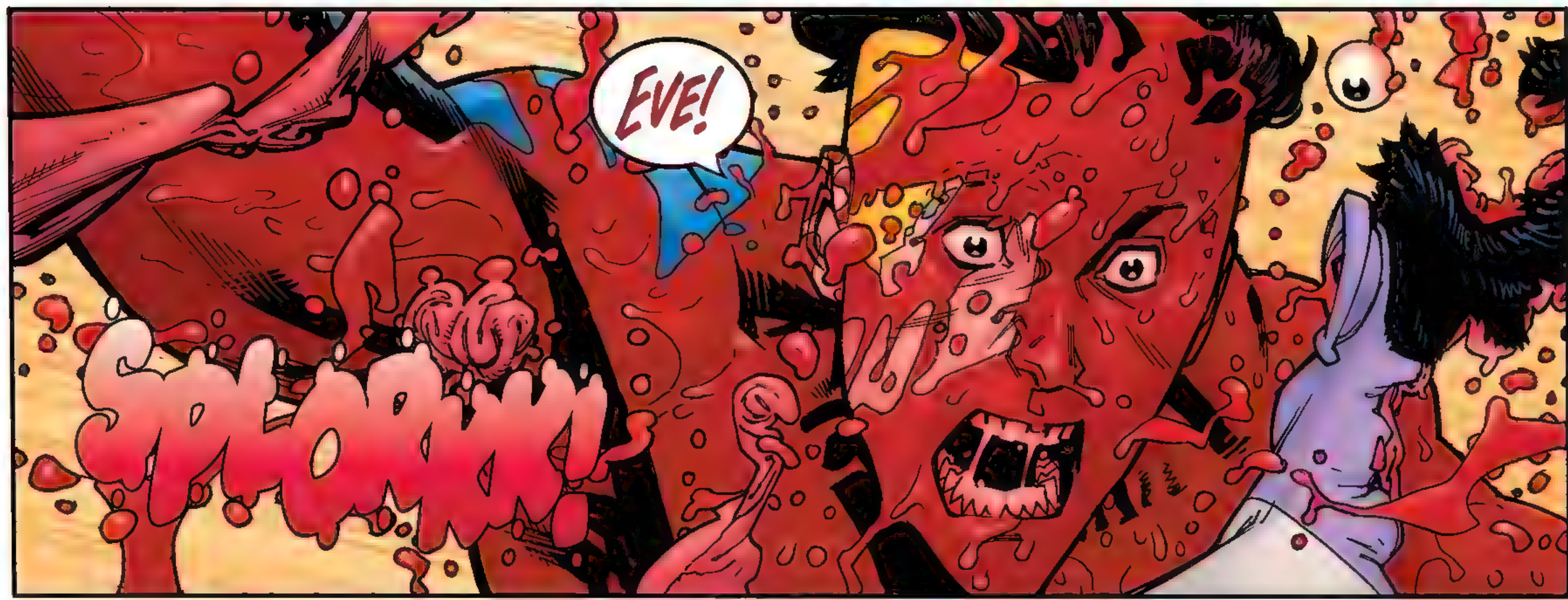
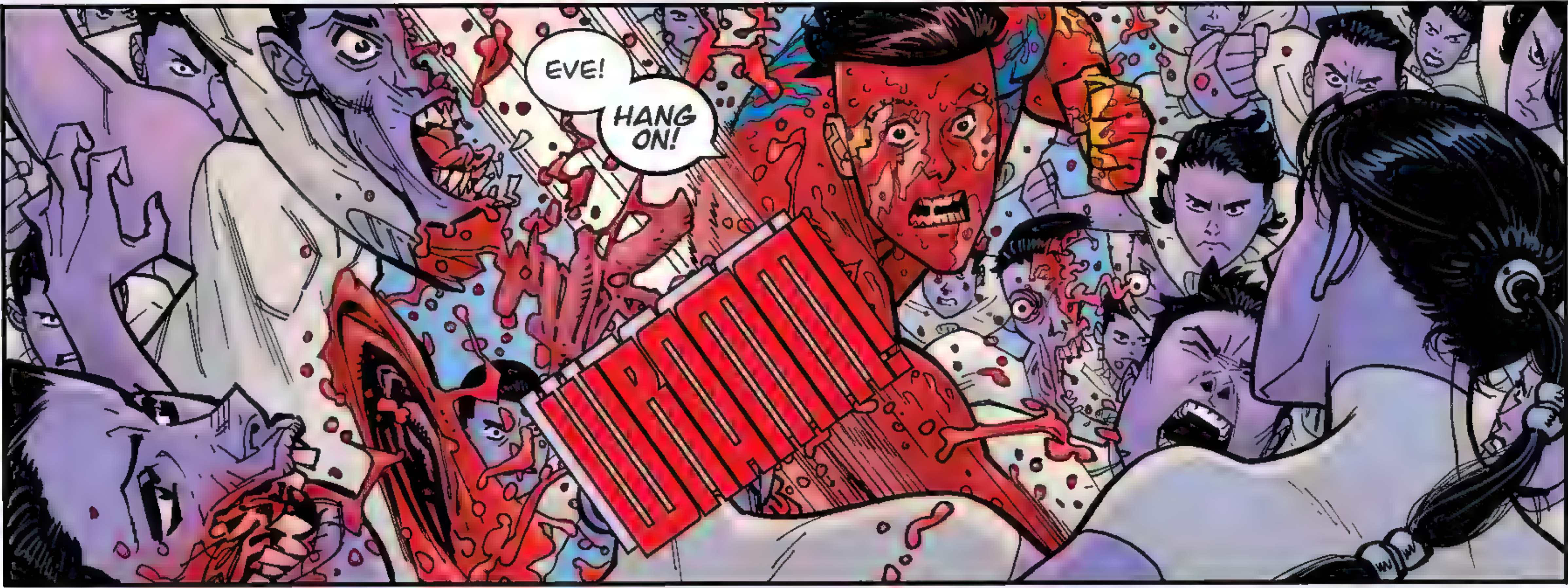












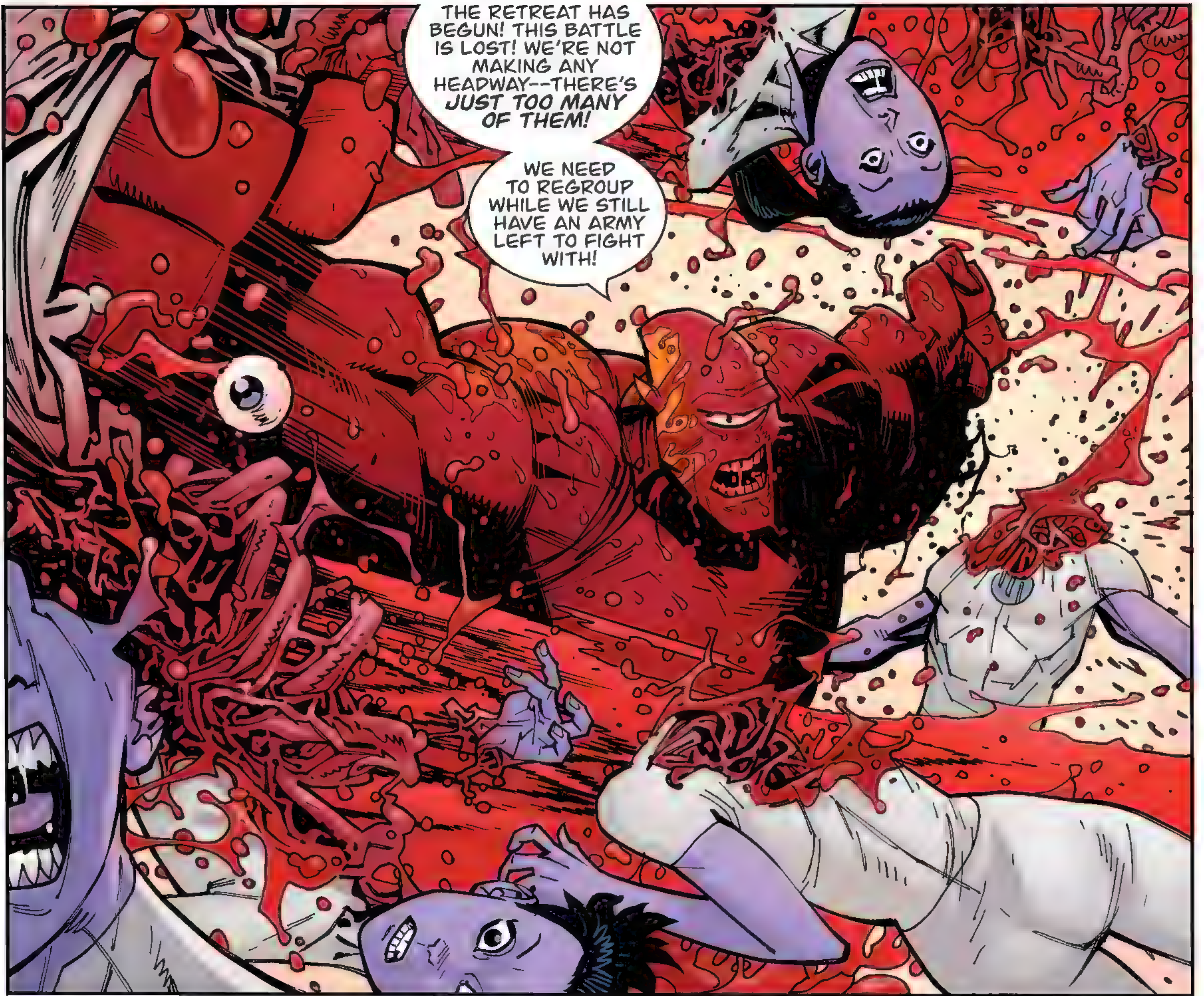












THE RETREAT HAS  
BEGUN! THIS BATTLE  
IS LOST! WE'RE NOT  
MAKING ANY  
HEADWAY--THERE'S  
JUST TOO MANY  
OF THEM!

WE NEED  
TO REGROUP  
WHILE WE STILL  
HAVE AN ARMY  
LEFT TO FIGHT  
WITH!



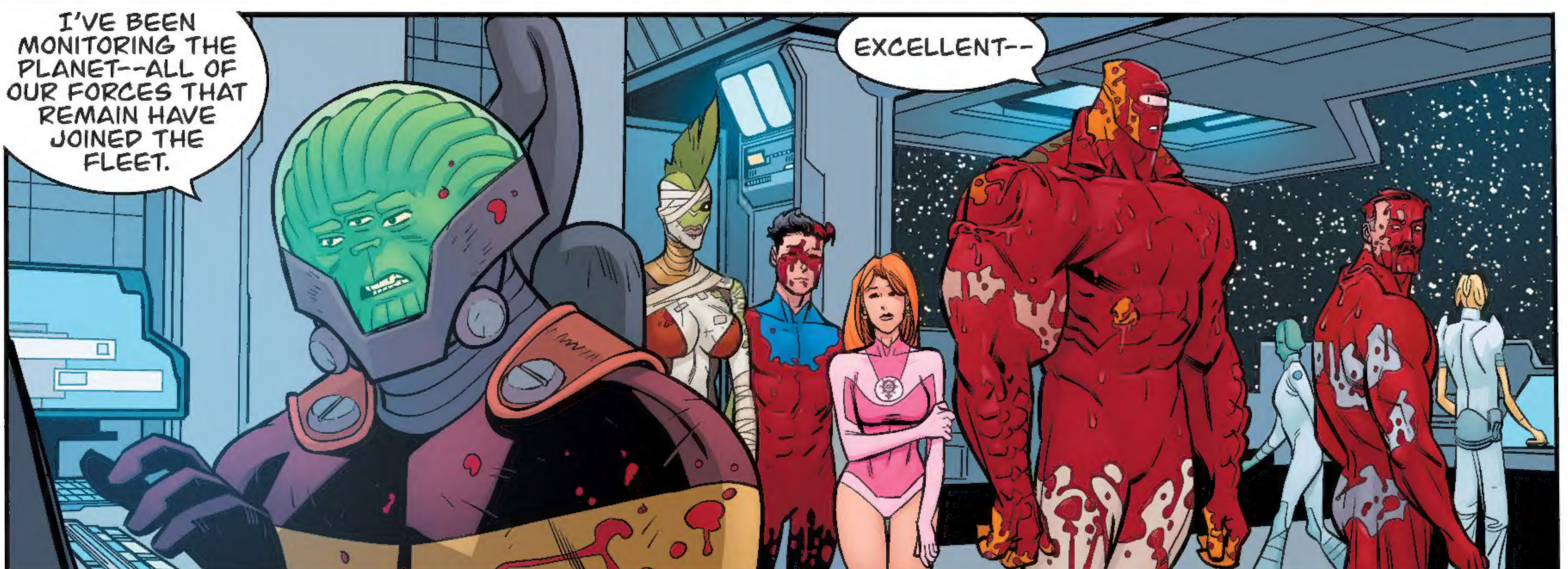
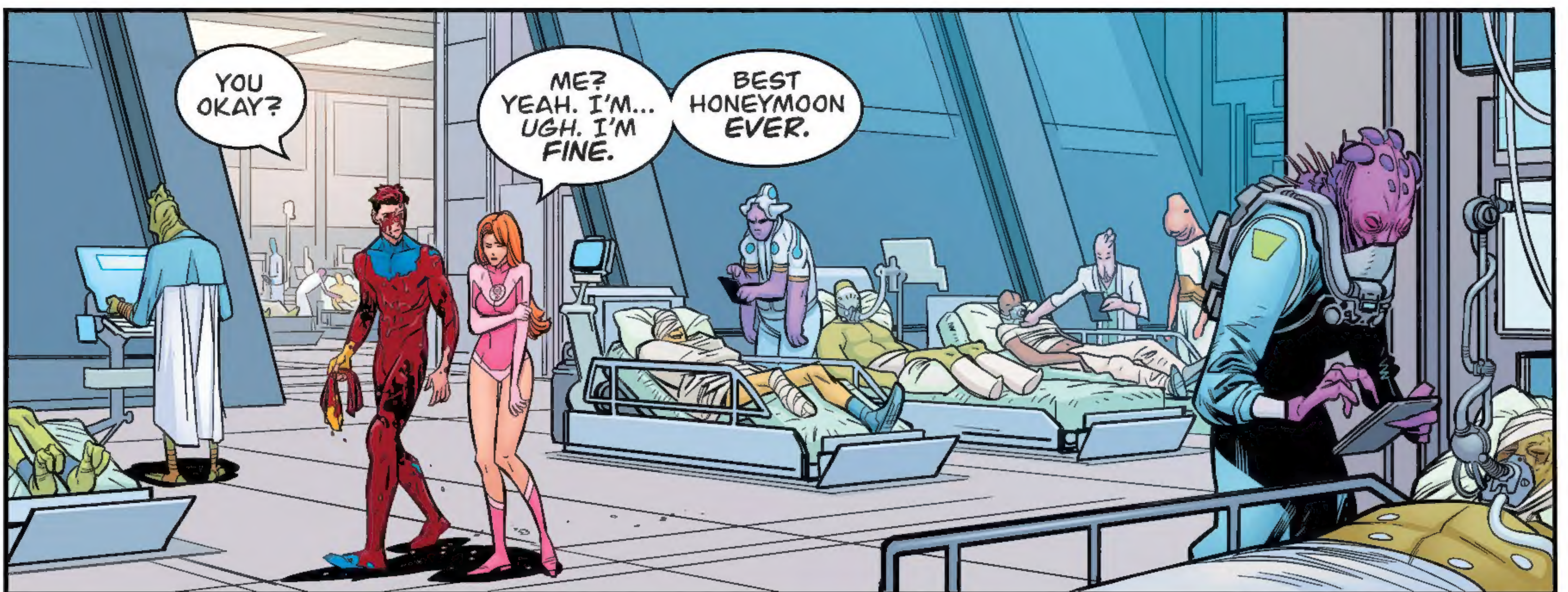
WE'RE  
RETREATING!  
IT'S OVER! HOW  
DO SO MANY OF  
YOU HAVE A  
DEATH  
WISH?!



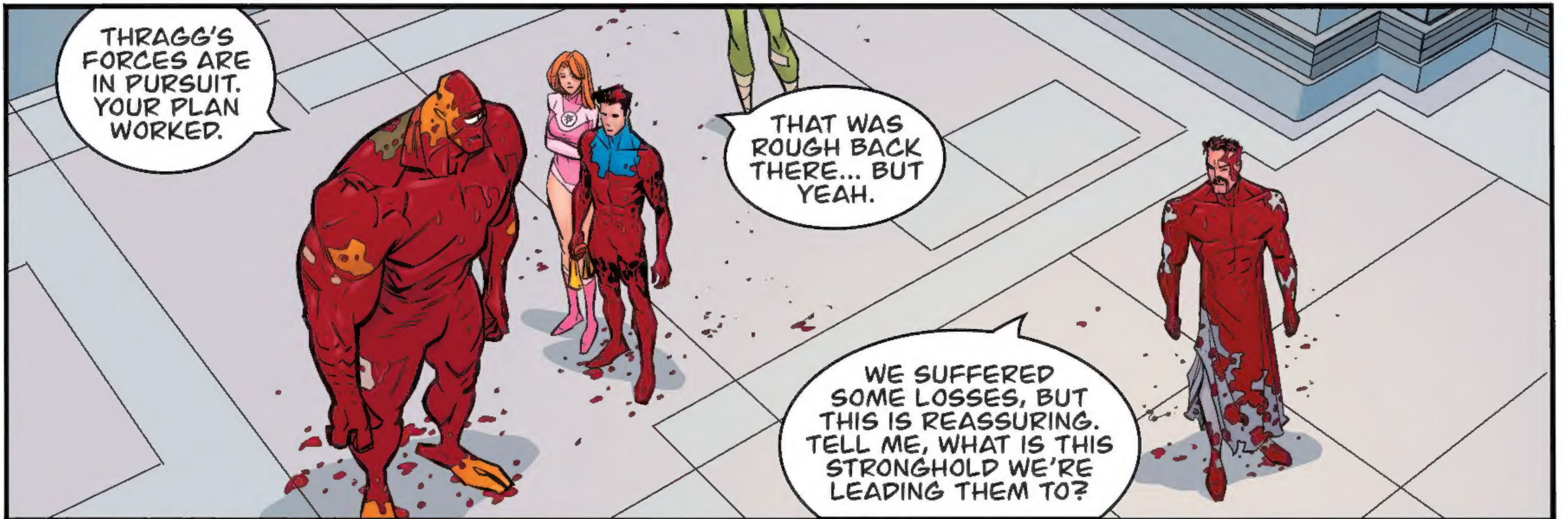
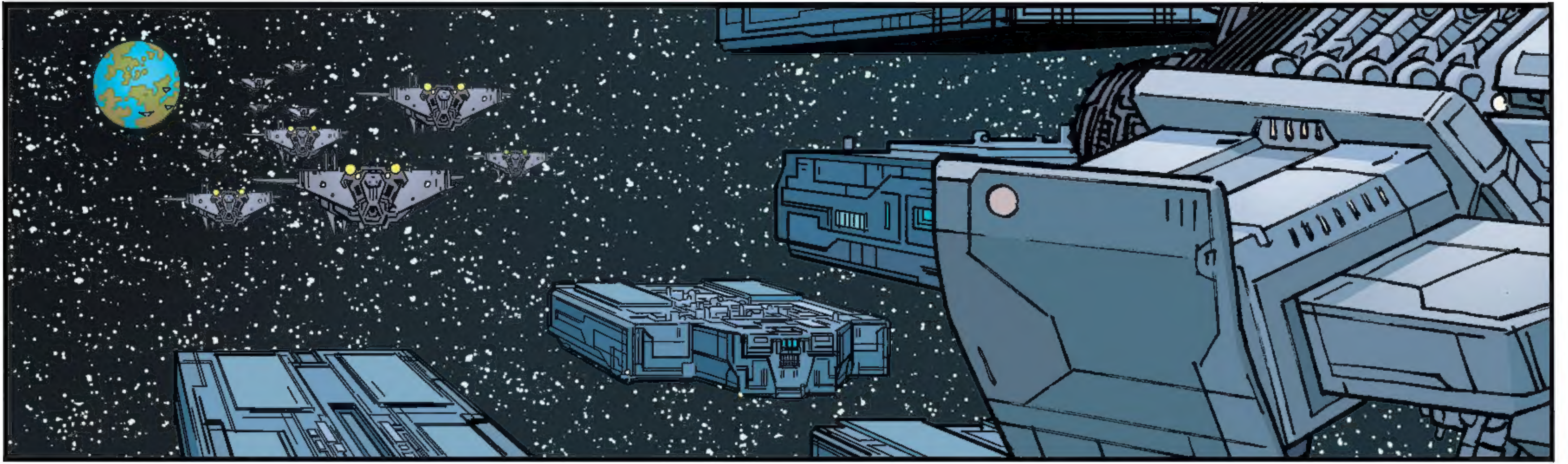
WELL, THAT  
WENT PRETTY  
WELL...

SO  
FAR SO  
GOOD.













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Sooo many Viltrumites were harmed in the making of this issue, and there's no turning back. I mean, Ryan's drawing #140 as we write, and he's not going to redraw three entire issues, so your desperate letters in the coming months will change NOTHING.

*Oh my god... this is going to be over before we know it. #144 is coming up fast! It's really starting to get to me... it's... I'm not...*

*Let's just answer some mail...*

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Dear Robert,

Just finished issue 134! I'm on a roller coaster right now and it's going to kill me to wait another month for the next issue!

I hope you're still alive, Mike Chan, otherwise, we wasted a quarter of our precious letters page responding to a dead guy who can't read it. And as far as I know, INVINCIBLE isn't allowed in Heaven. But maybe you aren't either.

Do you plan on releasing another Invincible Universe series that'll explain what happened the 5 years Mark was gone? I have to know how Brit and his team were faring against Rex!

Nope! But do you really want us to fill in continuity? Bleh. We only needed an issue to tell that story in #121. I'm more interested in what the hell's going on with them RIGHT NOW, and is Monster Girl still steamed.

*Agreed. Going to the past is boring! And leaving that stuff unknown makes the stories going forward more interesting. The stories for... eight more issues.*

Also I ordered my Invincible action figures the day you guys put it on the website! I saw that there was going to be another exclusive in the Megabox so I went and subscribed to that. Will you guys release other characters? My Invincible is going to be lonely without his friends/enemies.

**Maaaaaybe. Anyone you'd like to see, beyond Battle Beast, who is the coolest and best designed character in this series?**

Also I like to thank you for writing the best comic series I ever read. Invincible is the only comic where I bought every single issue. I'm going to miss it.

Thanks for the memories,

Mike Chan

*INVINCIBLE is the only comic you've ever bought every single issue of? One, that's an honor... two, BUY MORE COMICS!!*

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Dear Invincible Crew,

I've been reading Invincible from the start of his solo title, but as far as I can recall, I haven't written in before now. I've thought about it, for good or ill -- there were times I wanted to praise you, times I wanted to scream at you, and everything in between. But I just never quite got around to it. I guess this is my last chance.

*Let's not dwell on it...*

I didn't start reading Invincible in high school. I was in college when it started, or, more accurately, I'd just left college because I wasn't prepared to handle it emotionally. It was a difficult time in my life and it took me a while to figure out where I was going next. I don't know if I'd say Invincible helped me decide what I needed to decide, but Mark and his friends were characters I could relate to, and their stories were welcome diversions.

I don't know how to sum up my experiences with this book, from

meeting Atom Eve and (like Mark) falling a little bit in love with her from the start, all the way to the twists and turns of this final arc. I guess I'll just say this: there were a lot of times I thought about giving up Invincible, most notably when it looked like Atom Eve was dead. But I kept giving it one more issue, and I'm glad I stuck with it. It's been a wild ride, and while I'm going to miss Invincible and company, I'm glad you're going out on your own terms. All good things must come to an end, lest they stop being good. I can't wait to see the big finish, and thanks to all the other Image and Skybound titles I started after picking up Invincible for the first time, I know I'll still have plenty of stories to keep me distracted when this one's over.

Thanks for all your hard work, guys, and thanks for introducing me to some damned good comics over the years.

Cassandra Lease

**What a nice letter! Glad to know at least one of our fans has real feelings.**

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Dear InvinciTeam,

After a several-year long absence from monthly titles, The Walking Dead and Invincible recently brought me back, and I'm glad they did in time for me to read Invincible to the end. I had several friends rant and rave about this title years ago, and I regret not listening to them sooner (sorry Cody!). However, is it too late to reconsider publishing till #200? I know you guys have it in you, and it sounds like such a good number, doesn't it?

**#144 sounds pretty special, too. This will be the most important 144th issue of ANY comic book series EVER.**

*It's true, it's going to be really cool. Stay tuned. 200 does sound nice... but, man, 144 sounds so much cooler!*

But seriously, what you've have been able to do and the different stories you've been able to tell--and how you've told them--over 134 issues and counting is truly awesome. I really, really hope you guys have something in store after Invincible, because I can guarantee you there's going to be withdrawals from a lot of readers.

-- Ian

**Of course we have something in store for post-INVINCIBLE life: a loooooong vacation!**

*Shit, Ryan started his over a year ago!! \*wink!\**

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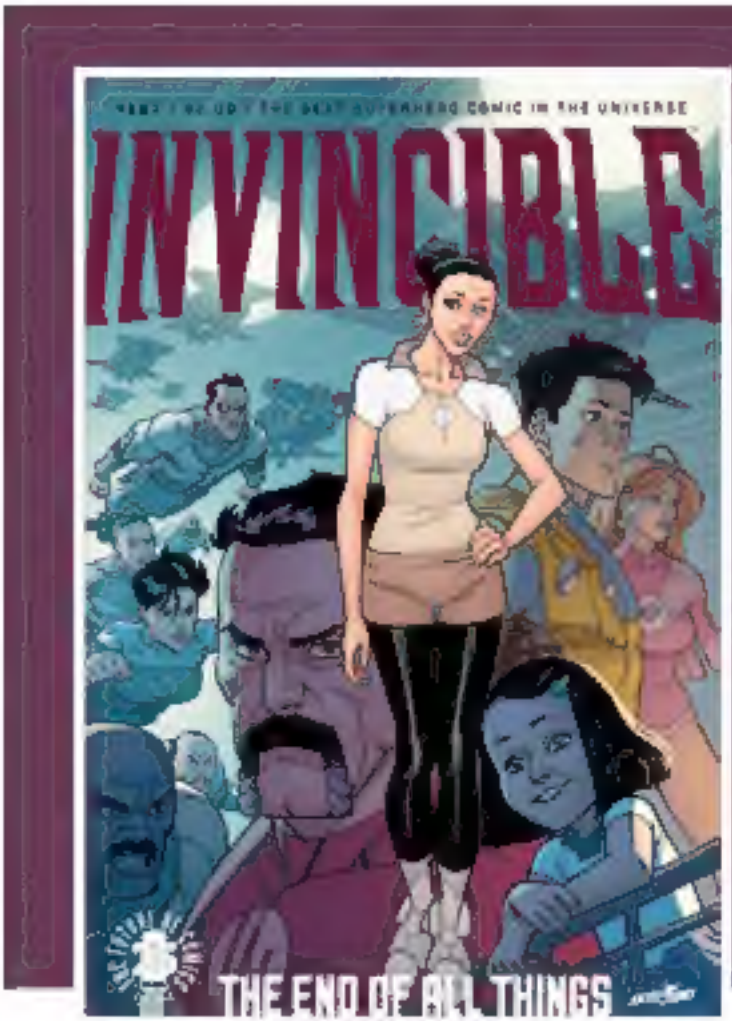
**A return to Earth—and some familiar faces we haven't seen in some time! Oh, man...so many familiar faces! Only 8 issues left!**

-Sean Mackiewicz

*It's gonna be great! Only 8? Uuuuuuuuhhhh, 200 is sounding better and better all the time. Ryan, call me!*

-Robert Kirkman

NEXT ISSUE



**"THE END OF ALL THINGS," Part 5** This issue has everything! Mark and Eve in peril! Allen's fleet chased by Thragg's forces! Terra learning to use her powers! Robot doing something (else) evil! Did we mention Tether Tyrant? All this and Debbie Grayson momming the hell out of the cover!



